Welcome to the fourth edition of the CCTS Investigator! This e-newsletter is sent to the OSU Research Community, faculty, staff, and students on a monthly basis. Scroll down for news and updates from The Ohio State University Center for Clinical and Translational Science. Visit us at ccts.osu.edu.

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LATEST NEWS AT THE CCTS

CCTS Community Engagement Program Now Accepting Pilot Grant Applications
These Pilot Awards are for Community Engagement in Health-related Research and are meant to increase and improve two-way partnerships between researchers and communities.

The deadline to apply for these awards is March 15, 2010. For more information download the Pilot Award RFA Flier or contact The Community Engagement Program.

Nationwide Children’s Hospital Research Week 2010
Join Nationwide Children’s and OSU April 5-9 for a week of exchanging scientific knowledge and team building.

Each day of the Research Week will feature speakers from assorted organizations around Columbus, as well as presentations by a variety of research professionals. All events will be held in The Research Institute at Nationwide Children's Hospital auditorium and building lobbies unless otherwise noted.

On April 8, The OSU Medical Center will hold its Ninth Annual OSUMC Research Day from 8 am to 4 pm at the Biomedical Research Tower.

Visit the Nationwide Children’s Web site for more information and complete schedule...

Countdown to March 31 & 10,000 Volunteer Goal for ResearchMatch
We have less than thirty days to reach our goal of 10,000 Volunteers
ResearchMatch, the first national, disease neutral, volunteer registry, has 3,765 volunteers registered as of March 3. The goal of 10,000 registered volunteers by March 31 is important to achieve in order for research teams to utilize ResearchMatch as a functional tool for gathering participants.

Visit the ResearchMatch Web site to register as a volunteer participant...

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Save the Dates! Discovery, Innovation and Commercialization Workshop Series

The CCTS in collaboration with the Fisher College of Business and the OSU College of Medicine are pleased to announce an upcoming five-session workshop on Discovery, Innovation and Commercialization.

This series will provide CCTS pilot study awardees, K scholars and other interested clinical and translational investigators with enhanced capabilities and support in the area of translating scientific discoveries into commercially applicable and innovative products and services that lead to improved patient outcomes. At the conclusion of the series, participants will be eligible to request consultative support from a business team to provide guidance and support on translating discoveries to new products and services.

Workshops will occur on Fridays, 1:00 – 4:00 pm, June 25, July 30, August 20, October 8, and October 29, 2010. Registration materials and more information will be available in April. Visit the CCTS Web site for more information…

FACULTY / STAFF HIGHLIGHT

Susan Moffatt-Bruce, PhD, (pictured) was awarded a KL2 Scholar Award by the CCTS for her research involving the role of T-cells, and in particular T-regulatory cells, and their interaction with macrophages in acute cardiac rejection in mice. While heart transplants are a standard procedure, patients eventually reject their new hearts and Moffatt-Bruce's research looks to change this fact.

Moffatt-Bruce’s study allows mice to reject heart transplants and later examines the macrophages in the heart graft relative to the T cells. Read more on the CCTS Web site…

UPCOMING EVENTS

To view a list of upcoming lectures and seminars at the OSU CCTS, visit our Education and Training page and click on Seminars & Lectures.

NEW SERVICES / RESOURCES

Nationwide Children’s Hospital has a newsletter for The Research Institute. The Translator, a bi-monthly publication, allows readers to keep up to date about what is happening at Nationwide Children’s. Visit the CCTS Web site and click on one of the past newsletters in the right hand column.

STEM Education is assembling a list of all OSU faculty and staff who are engaged or would like to be involved with Science, Technology Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) education and in research education. This group is under the leadership of Brad Mitchell, CEHE, and plays an important role in the future of biomedical research. If you wish to be added to the list, contact Killoren.2@osu.edu.

A new fund has been established (313342) that allows you to designate your Campus Campaign contribution to the CCTS. These donations will help support the Center's mission through research awards, community outreach, dissemination of information, and conferences/lectures. Contact Valerie DeGroff for more.

RESEARCH CONCIERGE / REQUEST CCTS SERVICES

Valerie DeGroff (pictured) provides the CCTS staff with more than 30 years of research and administrative experience. As Research Concierge, she can assist researchers with their projects by helping to navigate the research infrastructure, matching requests for specialized expertise with faculty, assessing research needs, making recommendations for services, and facilitating access to CCTS resources.

Please contact Valerie about any clinical and translational research question via phone at 614-366-7367, or Request for Research Concierge Services.

For information about Requests for Applications (RFAs) or other deadlines related to CCTS Awards, visit the CCTS Awards Calendar.

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